1892

33rd Annual Report

OF THE

Ev. Luth. Orphan's Home

AND

ASYLUM FOR AGED AND INFIRM,

GERMANTOWN, PHILA.

The Board of Trustees, entrusted with the care and management of these institutions of the Church's prominent charity, are pleased to express their deep sense of gratitude for the tender nearness and protecting providence of Almighty God, and for the manifold gifts and kindnesses of the many friends through the past year.

There were in the Orphanage April 1st 1891:

Boys 42—girls 26 = Total 68.

Admitted during the year:

Boys 3—girls 7 = Total 10.

Returned to friends:

Boys 2—girls 9 = Total 11.

At present date in the Home:

Boys 43—girls 24 = Total 67.

There were in the Asylum April 1st 1891:

Men 5—Women 22 = Total 27.

Removed during the year:

Women 1.

Admitted during the year:

Women 5.

Leaving in the Asylum at present date:

Men 5—Women 26 = Total 31.

The following persons are employed:

In the Orphanage:

Mrs. A. C. Mueller, Matron;
Miss L. Kaessman, Teacher of Main School;
Miss B. Kaessman, Teacher of Kindergarten;
Mr. Paul Bode, Gardener and General Helper;

Mrs. R. Nilsen, Cook.
Mr. N. Eisenberg, Shoemaker;
Mrs. Frey, charge of sewing-room.
In the Asylum:
Mrs. L. Pietzsch, Matron;
Miss D. Kaehle, Assistant;
Miss P. Loelliger, Domestic.
Rev. G. P. Mueller, Superintendent and Housefather.

May 11th 1891, Mr. Kensil Wills was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of R. B. Miller, Esq., and Mr. Frederick Bauer was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the discharge of J. C. File.

Sept. 7th, 1891, Mrs. J. Riedt resigned as Matron of the Asylum; and Mrs. L. Pietzsch elected to that position.

Oct. 5th 1891, Mr. C. F. Kuhnle and wife resigned as Superintendent and Matron, respectively: and, their resignations having been accepted, a unanimous call was given the Rev. Geo. P. Mueller to become Superintendent and Housefather of the Home and Asylum, and Mrs. A. C. Mueller to become Matron of the Home.—These calls were accepted, and Rev. Mueller was publicly installed, in the Asylum Chapel, Dec. 2nd, 1891.

Nov. 9th, 1891, Miss R. Weegman resigned as teacher of the Kindergarten; and Miss Beta Kaessman elected to fill the vacancy, entering on her duties Febr. 8th, 1892.

Nov. 9th, 1891, the Lady Visitors having petitioned the Board to recognize their committees and give them more power and authority in the care and management of the different duties aud departments of the institutions, and fully persuaded that better work could be done, stricter oversight be had, matters be more expeditiously handled and more gratifying results attained by closer contact and cooperation, the Board granted their request.

Dec. 29th, 1892, the Christmas Festival was celebrated, being well attended and the inmates liberally provided with the usual good cheer.

March 11th, 1892, the public examination of the Schools was held, showing a more systematic conduct, a commendable progress and general improvement. The anniversary will be celebrated in St. Mark's English Lutheran Church, Dr. S. Laird, on April 24th, 1892, at 3 P. M.

In the beginning of 1892 the Home was visited by "La Grippe", nearly all the children being afflicted and some severely prostrated. Thanks to the God of the fatherless, no case however, resulted fatally. —Grateful recognition is due the teachers for their untiring aid in helping to care for the sick.

Dr. Shellenberger, having cheerfully rendered efficient and faithful service for so many years as physician to the Home and Asylum, owing to increased demands on his time and to growing years felt

constrained to give up caring for the Home, but has consented to serve the Asylum. The Church owes him unstinted thanks for his long continued labor of patience and love voluntarily given.

The year has witnessed many and thorough changes in both institutions.—The management in the Home and the Asylum is new. The buildings have undergone most extensive repairs.—New floors have been laid, stairs built, banisters added and porticoes strengthened; whilst inside, but especially outside, the buildings have been painted. —The schoolroom of the Home has been thoroughly overhauled, and now is replete with the latest improved desks, benches, chairs, charts, maps and books, whils appropriate scriptural pictures and emblems help to adorn and brighten the room, at a total cost of $231.02. Through the untiring efforts of the Lady Visitors the Home has been furnished complete with new beds and bedding and new carpet; and all the sleeping apparatus of the Asylum has been thoroughly renovated, at a total cost of $1245.35.—The cooking and dining departments have also been overhauled and replenished. A beautiful sideboard, complete in every part, has been donated by the young men of St. Paul's German Lutheran Church of Philadelphia, and the spare room of the Home given a complete outfit by St. Mark's Engl. Church of Williamsport, Pa.—Thus the good work has gone on, until nearly all of the antiquated and cumbersome stuff has been thrown out of the camp; and none too soon.

The financial standing of the Institutions to-day is excellent, as the Treasurer's Annual Report will abundantly demonstrate. Many and severe drains have been made on the treasury.—But it has met every demand, so that every bill is paid and every obligation is met, and no less than $3000 have been paid out for sorely needed improvements. No bills are paid unless examined and approved and proper orders drawn; and no investments are made until necessary searches have been made and all proper legal requirements have been satisfied; the Finance Committee first passing on everything.—Monthly and quarterly reports are regularly made.—The Treasurer is under bond. —A number of larger and smaller legacies have been received from charitable friends until now the Endowment Fund is $30,589.68.

Under the efficient and conscientious management of the new Housefather a stricter oversight is had, earnest pastoral care afforded, and spiritual interest fostered, whilst careful though not stinted economy is practiced in every particular.—The Treasurer deserves grateful recognition for his untiring and scrupulous exactness, as also the Lady Visitors and Rev. Wischan who have spared themselves no pains in an honest and earnest endeavor to make these institutions an honor and ornament to the charity and goodness of our Church.—God has opened the hearts of many kind friends; and pastors, congregations and friends, even in distant parts, have done nobly in behalf of the poor and helpless whom God has placed in our trust.—

The Board is pleased at any time to accept the invitations of pastors and congregations to come and present the cause of the Orphan and and Aged.—Surely, "God hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad".—To Him, and under Him, to every kind friend, be all thanks.

The following members consitute the Board :

H. LEHMAN, President and Treasurer ;
REV. C. J. HIRZEL, English Recording Secretary ;
REV. F. WISCHAN, German Recording Secretary ;
REV. W. J. MANN, D. D., REV. F. P. BENDER,
REV. I. E. NIDECKER, MR. H. S. CASSEL,
MR. K. WILLS, MR. F. BAUER.

Respectfully

C. J. Hirzel, Secr.

Terms of service of Revs. F. Wischan and C. J. Hirzel expire by July 1st, 1892.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Henry Lehman, Treasurer, in account with Luth. Orphans Home and Asylum, Germantown, Pa.

II. Bequest Fund.

1891.		
June 3.	Bequest of Elizabeth Ehrhardt, Philadelphia.....	$50 00
"	Bequest of Elizabeth Walter, Northampton Co., Pa.	190 00
" 23.	Bequest of Henry D. Orthwein, Philadelphia.....	1025 00
July 2.	Bequest of Christina Ernestina Metzger, Phila.....	172 64
" 22.	1⅕ Cash Balance of Eliza Jost Estate, Spring City, Chester Co,, Pa.....	992 20
Aug. 4.	Bequest of Theresa Ch. Kinike, $2500, less State Tax $125.....	2375 00
"	Interest on same, 5 months and 21 days, per C. A. Woerwag.....	67 67
Sept. 29.	Entrance Fee of Philipine Waierhauser, Asylum	150 00
1892.		
Febr. 29.	Bequest of Dorothea Poppal.....	228 38
	Cost and interest an S. Barnes Judgment Notes 112—179	2 91
	Increase during the year.....	$5253 80
1891.		
Nov. 6.	Received of the John Zipperer Mortgage.....	$1000 00
Sept. 29.	Balance of Judgment Note of Sam'l Barnes.....	18 64
	Cash Balance as per last Report.....	2667 24
		$8939 68

33d Anniversary

OF THE

ORPHANS' HOME AND ASYLUM FOR THE AGED AND INFIRM

OF THE

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH,

at 5580 Germantown Avenue, Germantown, Pa.

HELD IN

ST. MARKS' EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH,

REV. S. LAIRD, D.D., Pastor,

Spring Garden and 13th Streets, Philadelphia, Pa.

Sunday, April 24th, 3 P. M., 1892.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Prof. Dr. Mann, Rev. C. J. Hirzel, Rev. F. Wischan, Rev. J. E. Nidecker, Rev. F. P. Bender, Mr. H. Lehman, Mr. H. S. Kassel, Mr. F. Bauer, Mr. K. Wills.

HENRY LEHMAN, *President and Treasurer.*

REV. C. J. HIRZEL, *Secretary.*

REV. F. WISCHAN, *German Secretary.*

REV. P. G. MUELLER, *Superintendent.*

PROGRAMME.

1. ANTHEM.....By the Choir of St. Marks
2. OPENING VIRCICLES..... Orphans
3. GLORIA PATRI, WITH HALLELUJAH..... "
4. THE PSALM, WITH ANTIPHON AND GLORIA PATRI.... ..... "
5 PRAYER, READING OF SCRIPTURE (John 21, 15—17) AND RESPONSE ..... "
6. HYMN.....Congregation

Jesus, still lead on,
Till our Rest be won!
And although the way be cheerless,
We will follow, calm und fearless·
Guide us by Thy hand
To our Fatherland.

If the way be drear,
If the foe be near,
Let not faithless fears o'ertake us,
Let not faith and hope forsake us;
For through many a foe
To our home we go!

When we seek relief
From a long-felt grief;
When temptations come alluring,
Make us patient and enduring:
Show us that bright shore
Where we weep no more!

Jesus, still lead on,
Till our Rest be won:
Heavenly Leader, still direct us,
Still support, console, protect us,
Till we safely stand
In our Fatherland!

7. CREED.....Orphans

1. Art. and explanation, Engl. 2. Art. and explanation, German. 3. Art. and explanation, English.

8. HYMN: Come, sound his praise abroad.....Orphans
9. ANNUAL REPORT.
10. KINDERGARTEN: Feeble, helpless how shall I. Engl.
Jesus, the very thought of Thee. Engl.
Jedwedem Kinde, klein und schwach. Germ.
11. GERMAN ADDRESS.....Rev. F· Wischan
12. HYMN: Do not complain. German.....Orphans
13 ENGLISH ADDRESS .....Rev. C. J. Hirzel
14. HYMN: O Jesus I have promised.....Orphans
15 SHORT REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT.. .....Mr. Henry Lehman
16. COLLECTION FOR THE ORPHAN'S HOME AND ASYLUM.

Anthem by the choir.

17. VERSICLE .....Orphans
18. CANTICLE..... "
19. KYRIE..... "
20. THE LORD'S PRAYER..... "
21. SALUTATION AND RESPONSE..... "
22. THE COLLECT..... "
23. VERSICLE..... "
24. THE COLLECT FOR PEACE..... "
25 HYMN: Thine for ever! God of Love..... "
26. BENEDICTION.

Ordnung der Feier.

1. **Chorgesang der Gemeinde.**
2. **Eingang.**
3. **Ehr' sei dem Vater u. s. w. mit Halleluja.**
4. **Psalmodie mit Antiphone.**
5. **Gebet. Schriftlektion** (Joh. 21, 15—17.)
6. **Lied.** Jesu geh' voran.
7. **Glaube.** 1. Artikel und Erklärung, englisch. 2. Artikel und Erklärung, deutsch. 3. Artikel und Erklärung, englisch.....Die Waisen.
8. **Lied.** Kommt und verkündet Seinen Ruhm.
9. **Jahresbericht und Schatzmeisters-Bericht.**
10. **Kindergarten:** Schwach und hilflos wie soll ich. Engl.
    Jesus schwebt mir in Gedanken. Engl.
    Jedwedem Kinde, klein und schwach.
11. **Deutsche Ansprache**.....Pastor F. Wischan.
12. **Lied:** Murre nicht .....Die Waisen.
13. **Englische Ansprache**.....Pastor C. J Hirzel.
14. **Lied:** Jesus, Dir hab' ich gelobet.....Die Waisen.
15. **Ansprache des Präsidenten**.....Herr H. Lehman.
16. **Kollekte zum Besten des Waisenhauses.**

Chorgesang der Gemeinde.

17 **Versikel** ..... Die Waisen.
18. **Cantica**.....Die Waisen.
19. **Kyrie** .....Die Waisen.
20. **Vater Unser**.....Die Waisen.
21. **Salutatio** .....Die Waisen.
22. **Kollekte** .....Die Waisen.
23. **Versikel** .....Die Waisen.
24. **Gebet**.....Die Waisen.
25. **Lied** .....Die Waisen.
26. **Segen.**

33. Jahresfest

des

Lutherischen Waisenhauses und Altenheims,

5580 Germantown Avenue, Germantown, Pa.,

gehalten in der

Evang.-Luth. St. Markus-Kirche,

Ehrw. Dr. S. Laird, Pastor,

Spring Garden und 13. Straße,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sonntag, den 24. April 1892, nachmittags 3 Uhr.

Verwaltungsrat:

Prof. Dr. Mann, Pastor C. J. Hirzel, Pastor F. Wischan, Pastor J. E. Nidecker, Pastor F. P. Bender, Herr H. Lehman, Herr H. S. Kassel, Herr F. Bauer, Herr K. Wills.

Henry Lehman, Präsident und Schatzmeister.

Pastor C. J. Hirzel, englischer Sekretär.

Pastor F. Wischan, deutscher Sekretär.

Pastor G. P. Müller, Hausvater.

Aug. 12.	Invested on 1st Mortgage, Willis C. McNutt.....	6000 00
	Leaving a Cash Balance ($2598.53 in Bank, $341.15 in Saving Fund).....	$2939 68
April 1., 1891.	Amount of Bequest Fund.....	$25,335 88
April 1., 1892.	Amount of Bequest Fund	30,589 68
	Increase.....	$5253 80

II. This fund is invested as follows:

5 Shares Penna. R. R. Co. Stock, par value $50.....	$250 00
$1000 Penna. Canal Co. Bond, par value.....	1000 00
$1000 Penna. R. R. Co. Bond, par value.....	1000 00
$2300 City of Philadelphia Loan, par value.....	2300 00
Mortgage, No. 635 Snyder Avenue, John D. Wright.....	1000 00
Mortgage, Eagle Station, Del. Co., Pa,, A. Park.....	2000 00
Mortgage, No. 1512 Pine Str., Philadelphia, Dr. Githens.....	9000 00
Mortgage, No. 2408—2410 Kent Str., G. A. Twibill.....	1600 00
Mortgage, No. 224 Currant Alley, Oscar R. A. Von Buelow..	1200 00
Mortgage, 428 S. 42nd Str., West Phila., Willis C. McNutt...	6000 00
Loan to St. Johannes Church, Wernle Legacy.....	500 00
Megawan Property, No. 864 N. 12th Str., assessed to.....	1800 00
Cash in Bank $2598.53, Saving Fund $341.15.....	2939 68
	$30,589 68

III. Current Receipts and Expenditures.

RECEIPTS,

April 1891.....	$ 423 10
May 1891.....	851 40
June 1891	319 73
Donation Day.....	2616 85
July 1891.....	421 40
August 1891.....	129 02
September 1891.....	506 34
October 1891.....	240 77
November 1891.....	434 27
December 1891.....	1040 52
January 1892..	691 16
February 1892.....	785 33
March 1892.....	1194 08
	$9653 97
Balance April 1st 1891.....	$2532 61
From Mrs. E. Pleibel, Treas. Balance from Bedding Fund	50 09
Total	$12236 67
Expended.....	9417 40
Balance.....	$2819 27

EXPENDED.

April 1891..... ..	$532 86
May 1891.....	576 73
June 1891.....	1359 40
July 1891.....	488 08
August 1891.....	516 47
September 1891.....	1351 62
October 1891.....	600 67
November 1891.....	859 91
December 1891.....	702 76
January 1892.....	574 04
February 1892.....	1231 13
March 1892	603 73
Transferred from Rev. O. F. Waage's donation to Furniture Fund.....	20 00
Total	$9417 40
Balance.....	2819 27
	$12236 67

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDED.		
From Congregations	$1629	30	Salaries and Wages	$2757	25
From Sunday Schools	1288	33	Groceries and Provisions	1134	39
From Individuals	923	98	For Bread	691	12
From Associations	549	25	For Meat	590	16
Interest, Dividends and Rents	1556	50	For Milk	457	30
Miscellaneous	183	41	For Coal	696	87
From Guardians	244	00	For Gas	157	20
Entrance Fees to Asylum	300	00	For Shoes	92	21
Subscriptions for School Furniture	236	35	White-washing	40	00
From Synod for Mrs. Kline	50	00	Funeral	26	00
From sale of Heilsbotschaft	25	00	Cleaning wells	85	00
Anniversary Collection, 1891, Rev. Wischan	51	00	Moving Expenses	31	40
Donation Day June 4, 1891	2616	85	Ground Rent	42	00
Balance April 1, 1891	2532	61	Tax and Water Rent	75	33
From Mrs. E. Pleibel	50	09	Insurance	100	00
			Donation Expenses	35	56
			Miscellaneous	652	19
Total	$12236	67		$7663	98
			For Repairs	1347	40
			For Burial Lots	180	00
			For School Furniture	226	02
			Total	$9417	40

Mrs. E. Pleibel, Treasurer of the Bedding and Renovating Fund of the Lady Visitors reported on April 9th 1892 having received Subscriptions amounting to $1295 44
And holding receipted Bills for 1245 35

Balance ..... $ 50 09
which was paid to your Treasurer. See account.

Respectfully submitted,
HENRY LEHMAN, Treasurer.

April 12, 1892.

We attest the above to be correct:
J. E. NIDECKER, F. WISCHAN,
C. J. HIRZEL, FRED. BAUER.

APPENDIX.

Donation of a Bed for the Orphans.

The Committee of Ladies (Ros. Frank, Mary Allgaier, Car. Kuemmerlen, Emma S. Pleibel and F. Pleis) procured new beds for the Orphans, each to cost $14, a plain, neat iron bedstead with mattress, blankets, sheets and quilt.

St. Paulus German Luth. Church (Rev. F. Wischan). Collected by Mrs. Allgaier and Miss Kuemmerlen. From St. Paulus Cent-Collections $200.00, or 14 beds, Rev. F. Wischan, $14. Mrs. M. Allgaier, $14. Miss Emma Allgaier, $14. Mr. S. G. Seeger, $14; from his school-class, $14. Mrs. Sarah Ulmer, $14. Mr. Weiss, $14. Mr. Joh. Kiefer, $14. Ladies of St. Paulus Dorkas, $28. Dr. Popp, $14. Barbara Eble, $14. Mathilde and Bertha Eble, $14. Emma Thieme, $14. Alb. Oettinger, $14.

Zions German Luth. Chrurch (Rev J. E. Nidecker). Collected by Mrs. Ros. Frank: Mr. H. Doerr, $14. Mrs. Pflaum and Sohn, $14. Mrs. Ros. Frank, $14. Mr. Louis H. Frank, $14. Mr. F. Brecht, $14. Mrs. Maria M. Baltz, $14. Mrs. S. Reineke, $14. Mrs. E. Heid, $14. Mrs. Peter Schemm, $14. Mrs. Elis. Kuntz, $14. Mr. John Wendel, $14. Rev. Dr. Mann, $14, Mr. Ed. Mann, $14. From girls and boys at Hellwigs's house, $112.00. Waisenverein, $50. J. Knapper, $14. Lina, Clara and Ger. Schemm, $14. Maria and Luisa Paulus, $14. Mrs. Kleinert and Boltz, $14. Frauenverein, $14.

Emanuels German Luth. Church, (Rev. H. Grahn). Collected by Mrs. F. Pleis. From Emanuels Waisen-Verein, $28, or 2 beds. From Jugend-Verein, $14. Friedrich Meyer, $14. Otto Wolf, $14. H. Kreiling, $14.

St. Michaelis German Luth. Church, (Rev. F. P. Bender). Collected by Mrs. E. S. Pleibel. From St Michaelis Frauen-Verein, $11. Mrs. E. S. Pleibel, $14. Mrs. Lena Schlichter, $14. Young Ladies' Aid Society, $14.

German Luth. St. James Church (Rev. F. Weiskotten). Mrs. Barbara Geiser, $14. Mrs. P. Woll, $14. Miss Lulu Stahl, $14

German Luth. St. Johns Church (Rev. Dr. Spaeth). Fred. Bauer, $14.

German Luth. Christ Church (Rev. H. Weigand). John Braun, $15.

German Luth. Bethany Church (Rev. A. Hellwege). From Luther Society, $14.

Deakoness-House (Rev. A. Cordes). From collection, $28. From Mrs. Zorn, $14.

English Luth. Holy Communion Church (Rev. Dr. Seiss). From Mrs. Ritter, $28.

English Luth. St. Pauls Church (Rev. I. C. Hirzel). From Youth Society, $14.

English Luth. St. Johns Church (Rev. E. E. Sibole). From Kensil Wills, $28.

English Luth. St. Marks Church (Rev. Dr. Laird). Per S. Monroe from A. M. Sterling, $14.

Outside of Philadelphia.

CAMDEN: Rev. I. C. Dizinger, from his congregation, $14. WILMINGTON, DEL.: Rev. P. Isenschmid, from members, $28; from Youth Society, $14. HAINESPORT, N. J., Rev. C. J. Drechsler, from his congregration, $14. READING, PA.: Rev. J. J. Kuendig, from St. Johns Sunday school, $28; LEBANON, PA.: Rev. B. Schmauk, from Dorkas Society, $14. MYERSTOWN, PA.: Rev. F. Schantz, Ladies Mite Society, $14. MAUCH CHUNK, PA.: Rev. L. Lindenstruth, from the Sunday school, $14, 13. From Chr. Rees, $14.

Expenditures.

60 iron bedsteads (Bernstein)	$865 65
Feathers and bedding (Bernstein)	54 30
Furniture for 3 rooms (Van Scriver)	135 62
Bedroom, curtains (Strawbridge)	26 91
33 springs for asylum (W. Koelle)	115 50
Frames (C. H. Vogt)	24 00
Rubber coverlets (Goodyear)	9 36
Upholstering (Hunter)	2 01
Bed-tick (Carrie)	6 00
Printing (Th. Pfizenmayer)	6 00
	$1245 35

For Kitchen and Dining-room.

Mrs. J. M. Maisch reported about money collected for new utensils in kitchen and dining-room: From English Lutheran St. Luke's Church $13.50, German Lutheran St. Thomas Church $21.50, English Lutheran Christ Church $10, German Lutheran Bethany Church $30.25, German Lutheran St. John's Church $100, English Lutheran St. Michael's Church $3.